

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 309

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Demeka Reneé Freeman, 2013 Salutatorian of Frayser High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Demeka Reneé Freeman is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class at Frayser High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Demeka has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Freeman has earned an exemplary grade point average of 3.8; and

WHEREAS, Demeka has graciously dedicated her time and energies to numerous scholastic and extracurricular efforts, including serving as a member of the JROTC, which she serves as Drill Team Captain and Company Commander; Knowledge Bowl Captain; and Senior Class Vice President; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Ms. Freeman has served as a member of Operation Stand Down, as a participant at the LeBonheur Children's Hospital and the Metropolitan Inter-Faith Association; as a volunteer at the local community center; and she has read novels to elementary students; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Demeka Freeman was named a Brigade Board and Corps Board Winner, and she is a recipient of the Distinguished Honors Award, LET Award, Superior Cadet Award, and the Outstanding Cadet Award; and

WHEREAS, in her free time, she enjoys reading and writing poetry; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Freeman's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to join the military and attend college to become a registered nurse; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Robin Freeman and Dedrick Thomas, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Demeka Freeman's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Frayser High School Salutatorian, Demeka Reneé Freeman, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.